

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 February 2 2015 to 0600 February 3 2015



Aerial of sunlight on coastal cliffs along the northern portion of the Lost Coast Humboldt County
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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events – National

The Midwest And Northeast Dig Out From Latest Winter Storm And Record Snowfall

(CNN)—From the Plains to the Northeast, a second brutal winter storm in a week has left behind a deadly trail and record amounts of snow. You can see it in the aftermath: Canceled classes, grounded flights and massive piles of snow along roadways. The Boston area set a new record for snowiest seven-day period in the city's history with 40.2 inches, the National Weather Service reported. Boston's average annual snowfall is 47 inches. The city has already gotten more than that over the last two weeks. It's a similar story in Chicago where the latest storm dumped 19.3 inches of snow. The 16.2 inches recorded at O'Hare International Airport just Sunday were the most ever for any February day in the Windy City. The city got as much snow Sunday as it had in all of January, Mayor Rahm Emanuel said.

Virgin Galactic Gets Back On Track Toward Space Tourism

(AP) The only thing interrupting the creosote and mesquite that makes up one of New Mexico's most remote stretches of desert is a pristine runway where Virgin Galactic plans one day to launch the world's first commercial space-line. In the four years since its completion, however, the runway has seen little use. No constant roar of jet engines. No screeches from landing gear. Just promises, year after year, that it would shuttle paying passengers to the edges of Earth. Virgin Galactic had proclaimed 2015 was finally going to be the year. That was until the company's rocket-powered spacecraft broke apart over California's Mojave Desert during a test flight last fall, killing one pilot and igniting speculation about the future of commercial space tourism and Spaceport America. Virgin Galactic CEO George Whitesides said things are on track now and testing will take off again this year.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events – International

UN Court Dismisses Croatia and Serbia Genocide Claims

(BBC News) The International Court of Justice has ruled that Serbia and Croatia did not commit acts of genocide against each other during the Croatian war of secession from Yugoslavia. The Croatian government had alleged that Serbia committed genocide in the town of Vukovar and elsewhere in 1991. Serbia later filed a counter-claim over the expulsion of more than 200,000 Serbs from Croatia. About 20,000 people died during the 1991-1995 war, mostly Croats. The Croatian town of Vukovar was devastated when it was occupied by Serbs for three months in 1991. Tens of thousands of ethnic Croats were displaced, and about 260 Croat men were detained and killed. Four years later, the Croatian military's Operation Storm bombarded the majority ethnic-Serb Krajina area, forcing about 200,000 people from their homes. Speaking in court on Tuesday, Judge Peter Tomka dismissed both the Croatian claim and the Serbian counter-claim. Forces on both sides had carried out violent acts during the war, Judge Tomka said. However, neither side had provided sufficient evidence to demonstrate the "specific intent required for acts of genocide".

Egypt Could Free Jailed Journalist Fahmy Within Hours

(Reuters) - Egypt could free Canadian-Egyptian journalist Mohamed Fahmy within hours, Qatar-based news channel Al Jazeera English reported on Tuesday. Fahmy's colleague, Peter Grete, an Australian citizen, was released on Sunday. A third journalist, Baher Mohamed, an Egyptian national, is still in prison in Cairo. The three men were sentenced last June to between seven and 10 years on charges including spreading lies to help "a terrorist organization" - a reference to the now-outlawed Muslim Brotherhood. Al Jazeera said that Fahmy had renounced his Egyptian citizenship, in a move that paves the way for him to be deported under a presidential decree. On Monday, Canadian Foreign Minister John Baird told the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that Fahmy's release was "imminent". Baird did not elaborate, however, as to whether he meant hours or days. A security source said on Sunday that Fahmy was expected to be released and deported to Canada within days. Egyptian authorities accuse Qatar-based Al Jazeera of being a mouthpiece of the Muslim Brotherhood, the Qatari-backed movement which President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi toppled in 2013 when he was Egypt's army chief.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Structure Fires, 22nd and Hyde Streets, San Francisco

SF DEM has decided to open a shelter at 1800 on 1/30/15 for 90 residents that were displaced in two recent fires (1/28 displaced 67 and 1/29 displaced 23). Because residents had been given 2 day hotel vouchers, SF DEM expects that they will need sheltering starting tonight and, possibly through Friday, Feb 6.

The shelter at 1156 Valencia Street (Mission Corps Community Center) will be staffed by the American Red Cross with meal support provided by the Salvation Army. Coastal Region Duty Officer (CDO) continues to monitor the situation. Overnight shelter population: 39

Weather of Concern

- No significant Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

A lifting warm front will give way to a building ridge today. This will bring warming and drying conditions through Wednesday. Rain and wind will arrive early Thursday and remain through the weekend.

Medford Weather:

Moderate to heavy rain is expected Thursday into the weekend. Snow levels will be high during this time, so precipitation will fall as rain. Rainfall totals from Thursday to Saturday could range from 3 to 6 inches in western Siskiyou County. Heavy rain could cause mud and rock slides and flash flooding near wildfire burn scar areas in western Siskiyou County.

Reno Weather:

High pressure strengthens today and Wednesday with a return to dry and mild conditions. A warm Pacific storm will begin affecting northeast California and western Nevada Thursday and last into the weekend. Strong winds are possible Thursday and Friday followed by rain, possibly heavy across northeast California.

San Francisco Weather:

High pressure will maintain dry and mild weather across the region today and tomorrow. A Pacific weather system is expected to spread rain across the area starting Thursday and continuing into the weekend. Heaviest rainfall is expected to be across the North Bay along with coastal ranges. Locally strong and gusty winds are also likely by late Thursday night, especially for North Bay coastal and higher elevation locations.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Light showers will taper off today across far northern California. Above normal temperatures expected the rest of the week. Areas of late night and early morning fog in the central Valley the next few days. Significant precipitation event likely for the region by the end of the week.

Hanford Weather:

A ridge of high pressure will bring dry weather and above normal afternoon temperatures to the central California interior through at least Thursday with patchy late night and morning fog in the San Joaquin valley.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Onshore flow will bring night to morning coastal clouds and fog into Thursday, otherwise fair. A low will move in on Friday for possible precipitation into the weekend for areas north of Lompoc, otherwise mostly cloudy. The temperatures should be above normal into early next week.

Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

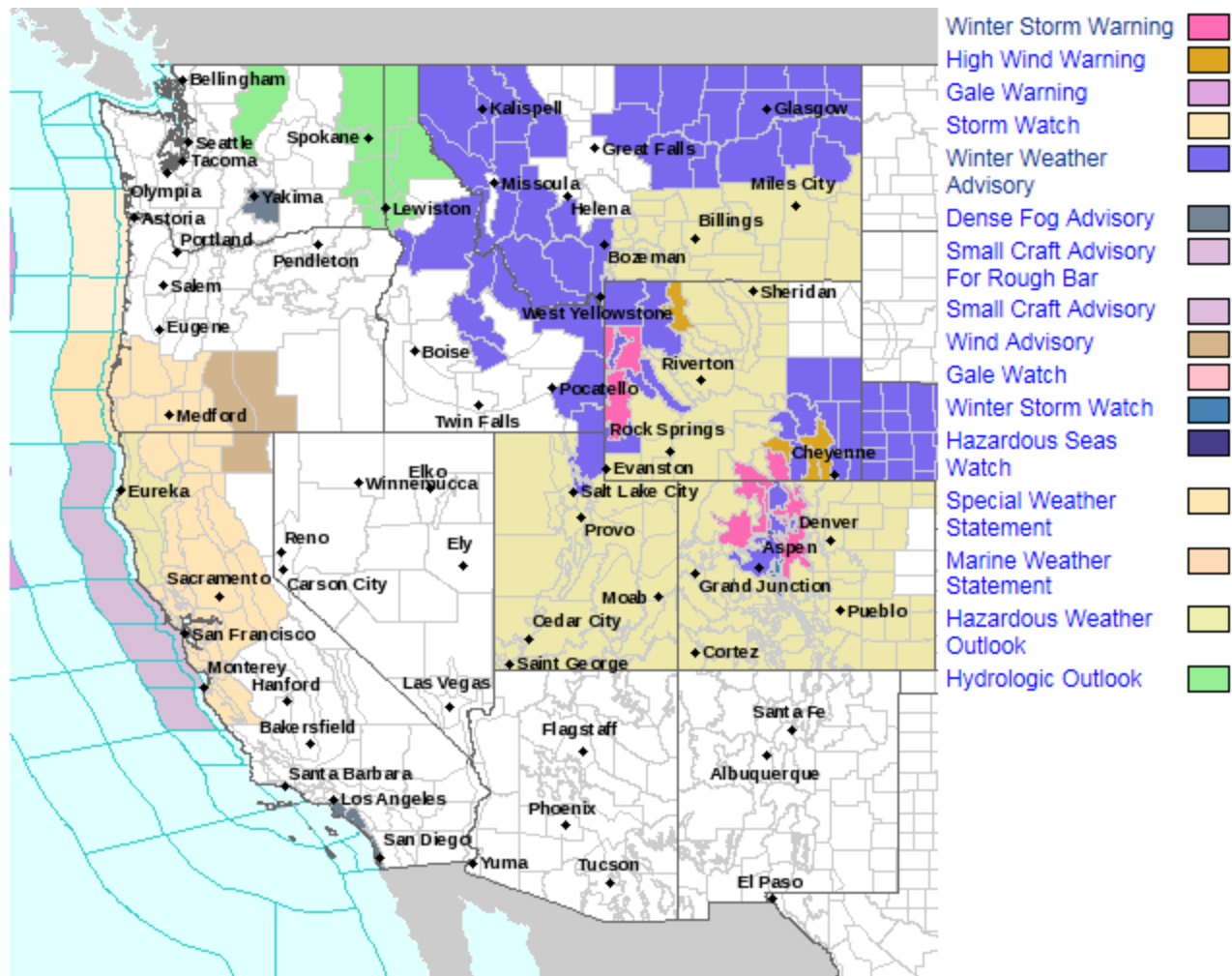
High pressure will dominate the weather through the weekend with fair weather and warm days. A shallow marine layer will bring some fog to coastal areas during the nights and mornings.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure will slowly build inland across the desert southwest bringing dry weather and a warming trend, along with mostly clear skies through the upcoming week. Highs will approach 80 degrees at most lower desert communities by Thursday with slight additional warming by early next week.



STATE WEATHER MAP



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 15 have withdrawn for a total of 48 FEMA approved open applications.
- Kickoff Meeting: 56 Kickoff Meetings have been completed leaving 1 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/31/2015.
- PW: 215 PWs are anticipated to be written as a result of the Napa Earthquake. Currently, 75 PWs are in draft, 85 PWs are entered into the federal database system, 62 of which have been obligated.
- Exit Briefing: 16 applicants have had Exit briefings conducted.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa and Solano Counties regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is providing funds to hire initial case management staff for the Napa Earthquake Recovery Group (aka, eNERGY) and the Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG). Both Long Term Recovery Groups are seeking funds from partner agencies to assist with unmet needs.
- Assistance Centers – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

- On 12/22/14, Governor Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties to allow Caltrans to formally request immediate assistance through FHWA's ER Program in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs or reconstruction for damages sustained as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. After assessing the damages, Caltrans is requesting the Governor update his proclamation to include Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sonoma, Tehama, and Yolo Counties. Cal OES' Recovery Section conducted an assessment to verify the Counties of Lake, Marin, San Mateo, Sonoma, and Tehama's Public Assistance estimates for debris removal, emergency work, and permanent restoration of public facilities in order to determine potential eligibility for State funding.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning February 9, 2015.

CAL OES Missions

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- **2015-INLAND-8419, 1/24/2015, 2012 hours**, One Cal OES Telecommunications Coordinator, ACS personnel, and a COW (cell on wheels) deployed to ICP in Warnersville, Stanislaus County, to support communications regarding CDFA activity with H5N8 Avian Influenza. **Mission Ongoing**



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.